Important Information about Your Drinking Water

Availability of Monitoring Data for Unregulated Contaminants for Chatham Water Department

As required by US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), our water system has sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that don't yet have a drinking water standard set by EPA. The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a public health protection standard.

2014 Unregulated Contaminant Test Results:

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3 (UCMR3)						
Contaminant	Date Collected	Highest Level Detected	Range Detected	SMLC	ORSG	Possible Source Of Contamination
Chromium (Total)	2/19 & 8/14/2014	0.34 ppb	ND-0.34 ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally-occurring element
Cobalt	2/19 & 8/14/2014	1.3 ppb	ND-1.3 ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally-occurring element in earth's crust and at low levels in seawater and in some surface and ground water
Strontium	2/19 & 8/14/2014	50.2 ppb	ND-50.2 ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally-occurring element; historically, commercial use has been in the faceplate glass of cathode-ray tube televisions
Vanadium	2/19 & 8/14/2014	1.6 ppb	ND-1.6 ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally-occurring elemental metal; used as a chemical intermediate and a catalyst
Chromium-6	2/19 & 8/14/2014	0.2 ppb	ND-0.2 ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally-occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys, chrome plating, dyes and pigments, leather tanning and wood preservation
Chlorate	2/19 & 8/14/2014	111 ppb	ND-111 ppb	N/A	N/A	Agricultural defoliant or desiccant; disinfection byproduct

What should I do?

You do not have to do anything but as our customers you have a right to know that these data are available.

You may share this information with other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, food establishments, medical facilities and businesses).

For more information

For additional information on your water see your water department's Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), delivered by your water department by July 1 of each year. If you have any questions about your CCR, see the contact information below for your water department.

For information on the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Program, visit the MassDEP website (http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/water/drinking/water-systems-ops.html) and navigate to Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Program.

If you want to speak with someone at the water department about the results, please contact Lynn A Carr at 508-945-5150 or 221 Crowell Road, Chatham, MA 02633.

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